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Fifteenth Meeting of the PSYCHOLOGICAL STRATEGY BOARD September 11, 1952 2:55 p. m. Director's Conference Room Administration Building Central Intelligence Agency

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Agenda Item No. 1. - Doctrinal (Ideological) Warfare Against the USSR (PSB D-33)

The Board accepted the recommendation that a panel be created and accepted revised terms of reference for the panel submitted by Mr. Foster. General Smith nominated as the CIA member.

Agenda Item No. 2. - A Strategic Concept for a National Psychological Program With Particular Reference to Cold War Operations under NSC 10/5 (PSB D-31)

The paper is approved as soon as the comments of the Department of Defense are received by the Director and agreed to by the Department of State and CIA. General Smith and Mr. Sargeant approved the paper as submitted.

Agenda Item No. 3. -

- a. Briefings on Research in the Social Sciences of Use to Psychological Strategy Board Planning and Operations
- b. Report on Social Science Research in Cold War Operations Prepared by PSB Staff Consultant PSB D-32) (This item not on agenda.)

Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Becker and Price briefed the Board on organization and procedures for interagency coordination of social science research.

The Board did not accept the Report but instead requested that the PSB staff in consultation with member agency staffs develop recommendations to be submitted to the Board with respect to interagency coordination of social science research of interest to PSB. (Copies of the transcript on this item will be made available to representatives of the member agencies concerned with this problem.)

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